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SUBJ: IRS INTERIM PROCEDURES

REF: STATE 208099

1. APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF PROPOSED IRS INTERIM OPERATING PROCEDURES. WE HAVE REQUESTED A MEETING WITH MINEXTAFF ADDERLEY WHO, AS YOU KNOW, IS CURRENTLY IN NEW YORK ON LOS MATTERS. HOPEFULLY WE WILL SEE HIM SOON AFTER HIS RETURN.

2. SO FAR AS INFORMANT SITUATION IS CONCERNED, WE APPRECIATE FACT THAT ALL CONTACTS HAVE AT LEAST BEEN TEMPORARILY TERMINATED. MOREOVER, EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FULL WELL THAT IRS AND PERHAPS OTHER USG AGENCIES AS WELL HAVE A REQUIREMENT FOR ACCEPTING INFORMANT INFORMATION. AS WE SEE IT, THEREFORE, AT SUCH TIME AS IRS WISHES TO REINSTITUTE USE OF INFORMANTS, WE WILL HAVE ONE OR TWO CHOICES: (A) EITHER WE CAN MAKE IT CLEAR TO GCOB THAT SUCH IS OUR INTENT HOPING TO MINIMIZE THEIR REACTION BUT ACCEPTING THE FACT THAT THIS COULD RESULT IN THEIR REFUSING TO PERMIT IRS PERSONNEL TO ENTER THE BAHAMAS, OR (B) WE COULD KEEP THIS MATTER FROM THE GCOB ACCEPTING THE RISKS INHERENT IN A SUBSEQUENT DISCLOSURE THAT WE ARE IN FACT EMPLOYING INFORMANTS. IT WOULD SEEM THAT WE DO NOT HAVE TO REACH A DECISION ON THIS MATTER AT THIS TIME AND, INDEED, IT IS AT LEAST POSSIBLE THAT WHEN WE FINALLY TAKE UP GCOB OFFER TO WORK OUT A GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT

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ARRANGEMENT FOR US TO SECURE INFORMATION WHICH WE NEED

THIS WILL PRECLUDE NECESSITY FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF INFORMANT NETWORK. IN ANY EVENT, WE WILL LOOK TO WASHINGTON FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE ON THIS ISSUE WHEN IT BECOMES RELEVANT.

3. AS SOON AS WE HAVE DISCUSSED INTERIM GUIDELINES WITH ADDERLEY, WE WILL NOTIFY DEPARTMENT SO THAT IRS TDY AGENT MAY BE SENT TO NASSAU.
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